

HOUSE RESOLUTION 398
By Davidson

A RESOLUTION to commend Jeffrey Davis for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Jeffrey Davis is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Representative Eugene E. Davidson and the House Agriculture Committee; Jeff's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where he is highly regarded by his peers, Jeff has achieved academic success while majoring in Political Science and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, the son of Tom and Anne Davis and the brother of Aaron, a member of the United States Marine Corps, Mr. Davis graduated from Douglas County High School in Castle Rock, Colorado in 2001 with a 3.7 GPA; he has a 3.84 GPA at UT-M, where he expects to graduate in May of 2005; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to awards and accolades, Jeff has been on the University Honor Roll and the University Dean's List for three of six semesters; he was the 2003 Chapter President of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, Tennessee Kappa Chapter and Balanced Man Scholarship Chairman in 2002 and 2004; a member of Phi Kappa Phi Honor Fraternity and Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Fraternity; a recipient of the Michael C. Williams Outstanding Brother Award for Academic Achievement of Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity; a graduate of the Frank J. Ruck Leadership Institute during the summer of 2003 at the University of Richmond's Jepson School of Leadership Studies; and was recognized on the National Dean's List in 2002; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Davis brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2004 session of the One Hundred Third General Assembly; as an intern for the House Agriculture Committee, he increased his expertise in agriculture from a negligible level to considerable understanding of issues involving such topics as beef cattle, mad cow disease and agricultural cooperatives; and

WHEREAS, Jeff has greatly enjoyed attending floor sessions as well as his work for the Agriculture Committee, and, when they could appropriate his services, for the Transportation Committee; throughout the 2004 legislative session, Jeff has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davis plans to return to UT-M this summer to work on the University's ground crew, serve in his offices with Sigma Phi Epsilon, and spend time with his fiancée, Ansley Painter; following his graduation, he plans to pursue a doctorate in Political Science with the goal of becoming a tenured professor; and

WHEREAS, Jeff Davis has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Jeffrey Davis for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Eugene E. Davidson and the House Agriculture Committee, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.